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Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission Attention: CGB Room 3-B431 445 - 12th St. SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: Petition for Full Exemption from Closed Captioning Requirements

To Whom it may concern:

Archery Adventures, LLC, is a home-based video production company, which was originated by my hunting/business partner, Scott Carroll and myself, Brad Frost in 2004. There are no other employees of this company. Our primary objective is to preserve the hunting heritage by producing high quality

non-broadcast videos and a television show "Accept the Challenge" featuring a variety of game from all over the world. It is our goal to motivate hunters of all ages and genders to pursue their own adventures.

We will begin airing our show "Accept the Challenge" again in July of this year. It will be hosted by Scott Carroll and Myself, Brad Frost. These shows will be based on our various hunting trips. The duration of the show will be thirty minutes or less. The program will be advertiser supported and delivered to the television station as a complete program including commercials. We will buy the time block used to air the show. We will pay for one air time per week, 11:30am on Sunday mornings. Due to financial constraints, Scott and I are personally responsible for the entire cost of production of each video and episode. We host the show, pay someone to edit the show and make station dubs. We do not own our production equipment. We currently pay an independent video production contractor for after-hours editing to assist in producing our videos and TV shows. Archery Adventures LLC, hereby petitions for exemption from closed captioning requirements under Section 79.1(d) (2&12).

Notification to Archery Adventures from WXTX Fox 54 about the requirements and the exemptions available was received January 04,2012. in addition to the undue burden factor, we feel as though we may also fall under the exemption for "non-news program with no repeat value."

Costs associated with closed captioning has been obtained from various captioning sources, including an online brochure from Aberdeen Captioning listing rates from 7\$ to 16\$ per minute (exhibit "A"). Other sources quoted as much as 600\$ per episode (Exhibit "B"). As for the purchase of equipment to do the closed captioning in-house, Modesto Junior College's website referenced a grant that they used to purchase the necessary equipment for \$5,000 (Exhibit "C"). We are a small profit business so seeking assistance from grants is not an option for us. Archery Adventures, nor the owners, currently have sufficient income resources to cover those levels of expenses.

For the year 2009, Ordinary business income loss was \$29,486. For the year 2010 it \$1,551. It is our desire that the TV series will continue to expand and the numbers will continue to improve in the future. However, adding the cost of close captioning will increase our expenses approximately \$15,600 (average of 300\$ per week for 52 weeks). Considering these expenses along with our normal expenses would place an undue burden on Archery Adventures,

LLC. and the owners. The only remaining choice would be to terminate the production of the television series, which would eliminate our chances of further promoting a healthy hunting heritage and generating additional income for our business.

as of this time, the sole source of income for Archery Adventures comes from the sale of non-broadcast videos, advertisement for the television show and merchandise, such as hats and shirts. Because we must purchase air time that has limited availability, we must compete with much larger corporations, with greater buying budgets, for that air time. Our advertising prices are as high as they can go and still remain competitive. To add additional cost of closed captioning would drive our rates beyond the reach of many of our present sponsors and price us out of the competitive market.

Our business will be video Production, television and advertising sales. We will deliver our advertising sales thru the "Accept the Challenge" television program. Our video and television production income is based around video services provided to local industry. Our services are on a limited basis and listed as part of our production income.

Archery Adventures, LLC, totally supports the closed captioning concept and we can see where programmers with the proper resources can both benefit the viewers and their clients. With time and new resources we may be able to add close captioning in the future. However, the limited size of Archery Adventures compels us to request an exemption to providing closed captioning as an undue hardship and that Archery Adventures fall under the \$3 million dollar tear income level, as per the requirements under section 79.1 (d) (2 & 12).

As Co-Owner of Archery Adventures, LLC. I have reviewed the Petition for Exemption for closed Captioning filed on my behalf of Archery Adventures, LLC, in this matter and upon information and belief, believe the statements regarding our Organization and "Accept the Challenge" to be true and accurate.

Your consideration in granting this request will be most greatly appreciated. We look forward to receiving your response. Should you have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 706 593-6253 or via email at bowhuntr@mchsi.com

Bradford	L.	Frost,	Co-Owner
_January	17	,2012	

SUBSCRIBED TO AND SWORN

Before me this 17th day of January

**Notary Public** 

My Commission expires: Neventus 11, 2018



Aberdeen Captioning is a full-service. captioning company. Our goal is to establish an ongoing, long-term, working relationship with you. We are dedicated to providing you with exceptional service and 100 percent satisfaction guarantee.

Give us a call!

## WHY CAPTION?

Other than having 40 comply with the FQG mannete that requires the following number of broadcast hours to be captioned per day. 10 hours as of 1/1/02, 15 hours as of 1/1/04 and 20 hours as of 3/1/06, captioning is the only way. the deaf are able to become a more complete part of the entertainment industry. The National Association of the Deat reports that more than 28 million Americans have a hearing loss. Captioning your program can potentially increase your audience by 10 percent.

Captioning a program reaches beyond the deaf and hearingimpaired. Over 30 million people are learning English as a second language, 27 million adults are improving their literacy skills and 10 million elementary school children are learning to read. Captioning helps them all improve their language skills.

Don't miss this giant opportunity to reach over 93 million Americans!!!!

## POST-PRODUCTION

Post-production captioning is the process of transcribing a programs dialogue and placing it into a new master tape in the form of open captions, closed captions or subtities

## Closed Captions (roll-up or pop-on) GC

A decoding dayler is regulfed to open these captions for viewing. Captions are recorded on line 21 of the tape and are made visible by using a decoder. All televisions, 13. inches or larger, built after 1993 are required to have a builtin decoder.

## Open Captions (roll-up or pop-on)

Open captions look identical to closed paptions but no decoding device is required to view these captions. The captions are "burned" into the video tape allowing captions to be visible whenever the video is played.

### **Subtitles**

Subtitling differs from open or closed captioning by the way that it is presented on the screen. It appears in upper and lower case letters and can appear in various colors and fonts. It is also "humed" into the video and visible at all times.

#### Webcasts and Video CDs

A caption file is created from an encoded video. The caption file is synchronized with the video and played on Windows Media Player, Quick Time or Real Player.

### **DVDs**

A single DVD disk can contain subtitles in up to 32 different languages. Subtitles can be produced in every language. using any Windows TrueType font. A DVD disk can also contain closed captions in up to six languages; English. Spanish, French, Portuguese, German and Dutch,

## REAL-TIME (LIVE) CAPTIONING

Real-time captioning is the process of transcribing a program's dialogue, with an accuracy rate of at least 98 percent, and making the text immediately viewable. This is used for live presentations and live television broadcasts...

- Newscasts
- Corporate Meetings
- Public Events

- Sporting Events
- Conventions
- Church Services

## POST-PRODUCTION PROCESS

#### What do I need to do?

- Send master tape along with a blank tape
- Provide correct spelling of all proper names and technical words within the program

### What will I receive?

- . You will receive 2 tapes; your original master and a copy of the master with captions encoded
- · A transcript in a text file e-mailed to you
- · 100 percent satisfaction guarantee!

## REAL-TIME (LIVE) PROCESS

- Provide correct spelling of all proper names and technical. words within the program
- · For local events, provide a space and video feed for our onsite captionist
- · For on-air broadcasts, you will need an onsite encoder and 2 phone lines; one for our captionist to dial into the encoder and one for our captionist to listen to the audio

## PRICING

The pelow pricing is a general guideline A specific quote vull be given with your complete project details.

#### Roll-up Captions

\$5 - \$13/video minute - \$200 minimum

#### Pop-on Captions or Subtitles

\$7 - \$16/video minute - \$200 minimum

## Webcasts, DVD, Video CD, Foreign Language Call for pricing

### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Verbatim transcription of your video
- · Already have a verbatim transcript? Deduct \$2/min
- \* VHS approval copy (upon request)
- Normal turnaround of 5-10 business days
- \* Transcript in a text file e-mailed to you
- · Volume discounts available

### Live Captioning

Long-term contracts Single event

\$115 - \$135 / hr. \$250 / first hr. \$200 / additional hr.



6298 Veterans Parkway Suite 2L Columbus, GA 31909 706.322.4885 706.322.2804 fax

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## MJC receives grant to close caption distance learning videos

The California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCC Live Caption Project) has awarded a new grant to Modesto Junior College for \$112,876.94 to close caption the videos used for the college's distance learning classes. Close captioning will benefit the deaf and hard of hearing populations and will also make these materials more accessible to ESL students and students with various learning styles.

The grant money will be used as follows: \$21,600 for RapidText live captioning for distance education, \$3,300 for equipment to allow captioning of online education courses, \$81,000 for the replacement/captioning of currently non-captioned videos that are checked out by students through the MJC Library and \$5,000 for video production equipment and software to allow closed captioning of future videos produced by MJC.

"MJC is committed to providing equal access to media and education, and to creating a campus environment in which all students enjoy, without discrimination or bias, the same facilities, programs and services," said Nancee Carrillo, alternate media specialist for MJC, and the staff member coordinating and writing the grant application. "This grant will take MJC a step closer to achieving our accessibility goals," she commented.

During the grant application process, Carrillo collaborated with MJC staff members Wes Page, John Chappell, Jim Clarke, Sue Adler and Linda Occhipinti. For more information on the new grant contact Carrillo at (209) 575-6671.

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